

**South Staffordshire
Local Development Framework**

Core Strategy

Development Plan Document

**Statement on the Issues
and Options Consultation**

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South Staffordshire Council



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Chapter 1 . Introduction

Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 This Statement describes the public consultation undertaken by the Council in relation to the Core Strategy Issues and Options as part of the South Staffordshire Local Development Framework. The statement outlines the consultation methods used by the Council, the local communities and organisations that were consulted and sets out the views of respondees to the key issues raised in the Issues and Options paper. It also highlights some of the key messages that have emerged from the consultation that have informed the preparation of the Council's Preferred Spatial Strategy.

1.2 The Issues and Options consultation was carried out in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004¹ and South Staffordshire Councils adopted Statement of Community Involvement.



Chapter 2 . Consultation - How did we consult?

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2.1 The Council is preparing a Local Development Framework to help to shape a sustainable future for South Staffordshire. The Core Strategy will be at the heart of the Local Development Framework and will set out the long-term vision, objectives and planning policies to deliver the vision and secure a sustainable future for the District.

2.2 The Council is committed to involving local communities and stakeholders in the preparation of the Local Development Framework and sees consultation as an ongoing activity, which feeds the views of residents and consultees into the plan process. The purpose of the Core Strategy Issues and Options consultation exercise was to explore the issues facing South Staffordshire over the plan period and how to plan for the future. The Issues and Options Paper was a starting point for discussion, and early community and stakeholder involvement. The Paper was the first stage in preparing the Core Strategy and represented the Council's initial thoughts on the key issues affecting the District and sought the views of residents and stakeholders on the broad policy options that could be used to address those issues.

2.3 The Council has a well-established history of consultation with residents, stakeholders, and other interested parties, and utilised a number of engagement methodologies during the Core Strategy Issues and Options consultation period, in accordance with the Council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). In October 2006 a letter explaining the proposed consultation was sent to all those on the Council's comprehensive database, containing in excess of 2400 entries including Statutory Consultees (as prescribed in the Regulations and Annex E of PPS12). Those included on the database comprise residents, stakeholders, developers and other interested parties, including a parish councils and number of residents from adjoining areas. An extract from South Staffordshire Council's adopted SCI statutory consultees can be found at Appendix 1.

2.4 A questionnaire-style representation booklet was produced for the consultation, and was designed to ask a number of closed questions that could be quantified during analysis, but also provided opportunity for lengthy qualitative response if so desired. Whilst the use of the form assisted both those making comments and the Council in comparing responses, views and observations were accepted in any form including verbally and on general comments sheets at public exhibitions. Copies of the booklet questionnaire and general comments sheets can be seen in Appendix 2 and general comments sheet.

2.5 In November 2004 the Council appointed BMG Research to recruit and manage a residents' panel on behalf of the Council (The South Staffordshire Viewpoint). The Panel is made up of around 1,000 residents and offers a statistically sound representation of the demographic make-up of the District. The Council has made a commitment to consult the panel throughout the year, with the results being used to inform policy decisions made by the Council. A targeted Residents' Panel Survey was carried out on the Core Strategy Issues and Options.



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2.6 All documentation relating to the Issues and Options consultation were placed on the Council's website together with response forms and supporting information, which would assist local communities and stakeholders in understanding what they were being invited to comment on. All material was also made available for public inspection at the Council Offices Codsall, and at all the libraries and Parish Councils in the District.

2.7 The Council produced an explanatory leaflet regarding the Core Strategy Issues and Options, which can be seen in Appendix 3. The leaflet accompanied the letter sent to those on the database and a supply was also deposited with the documentation at the locations listed above.

2.8 The Council produces a newspaper, the South Staffordshire Review, which is distributed to all households in the District. A four-page "pull-out and keep" article inviting local comments was included in the Winter Edition and distributed during November 2006. A copy of the article is included as Appendix 4.

2.9 An extensive series of exhibitions were held across the District, which were staffed by Development Plans Officers. The exhibitions held were as follows:

- Coven Memorial Hall Tuesday 31st October 2006
- Pattingham Village Hall Wednesday 1st November 2006
- Cheslyn Hay Village Hall Thursday 2nd November 2006
- Perton Community Centre Tuesday 7th November 2006
- Essington Community Centre Wednesday 8th November 2006
- Wombourne Civic Centre Thursday 9th November 2006
- Codsall Council Offices Tuesday 14th November 2006
- Wheaton Aston Village Hall Wednesday 15th November 2006
- Great Wyrley Community Centre Thursday 16th November 2006
- Featherstone Community Centre Tuesday 21st November 2006
- Brewood Parish Council Offices Wednesday 22nd November 2006
- Swindon Community Centre Thursday 23rd November 2006
- Kinver Parish Council Offices Tuesday 28th November 2006
- Trysull Village Hall Wednesday 29th November 2006
- Acton Trussell Village Hall Thursday 30th November 2006
- Haling Dene Centre Penkridge Monday 4th December 2006
- Huntington Community Centre Tuesday 5th December 2006
- Lower Penn Victory Hall (until 6pm) Thursday 7th December 2006

2.10 The exhibitions were attended by a variety of residents, representatives of local groups, and key stakeholders; of which 185 people registered their interest, and those who attended took the opportunity to talk to planning officers about local issues



Chapter 2 . Consultation - How did we consult?

2.11 A permanent display giving details of the Core Strategy Issues and Options consultation was erected in the main reception Solutions at the Council Offices in Codsall for the duration of the consultation period, together with questionnaires and explanatory leaflets. Planning staff were available on request to provide one to one discussion if required.

2.12 Public notices about the consultation were placed in the local newspaper 'Express and Star' on the 30th October 2006 and articles appeared in the paper during the consultation period. Copies of the public notice and newspaper articles are set out in Appendix 5.

2.13 The Development Plans page of the Council's website was updated to contain details of the Core Strategy Issues and Options consultation including and times and locations of exhibitions, and a response form was available on line. The document was also publicised on the homepage of the website as a 'current' consultation document.

2.14 Development Plans Officers gave presentations to Members, the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) Executive, LSP Officer Steering Group and LSP Theme Groups, Parishes where requested, Parish/District Liaison Group and District Council Management Team and Staff



Chapter 3 . Responses to the consultation and key messages

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3.1 This section examines the responses to the Core Strategy Issues and Options consultation and highlights the key points and messages that have emerged and that have informed the preparation of the Council's Preferred Spatial Strategy.

3.2 The Council received a total of 165 representations to the Issues and Options consultation and these are summarised in the schedule set out in Appendix 6.

3.3 Responses were received on the issues raised in the consultation paper including the future vision for South Staffordshire, Strategic Objectives and the potential location of new housing and employment development across the District. There were responses to other key issues such as the protection and enhancement of both the natural and historic environments, affordable housing and other important community issues including community facilities, education, open space and transport.

3.4 The two issues most discussed by respondents were the approach to future development in South Staffordshire, and the importance of preserving Green Belt. 84% of consultees felt that development should be shared between villages across the District and considered that the Council should develop an approach to distribution that will provide for local needs in villages. Only 16% of those who responded considered that development should be focused solely on the main villages of South Staffordshire.

3.5 The Residents' Panel survey on the Core Strategy also sought the Panel's views on how future development should be distributed and the results showed support for sharing housing development across the District. Nearly half of the Panel members who responded (48%) believe that development should be shared equally across large and small villages in the District. Two in five (40%) believe that future housing should be mostly in the main villages but with limited growth in smaller villages. The least popular approach among Panel members is development in a few large urban areas, as only 7% would like to see new housing located exclusively in the main villages in the District. The report on the Panel survey can be seen on the Council's website at www.sstaffs.gov.uk.

3.6 The response to the Issues and Options consultation indicated a high level of support for local biodiversity particularly the need to encourage the management and enhancement of wildlife habitats and the creation of new habitats. The second most highly supported option was to support existing rural public transport services so that they can be retained and improved. The next most highly supported option was that the Local Development Framework should support the use of schools to provide other community uses. Other highly popular options for the Local Development Framework to consider include higher energy efficient standards in development, supporting existing community services and facilities and the importance of retaining locally significant buildings.

3.7 The key points and messages that emerged from the consultation are summarised in the following paragraphs.





Spatial Vision

3.8 The consultation response from both residents and stakeholders to the Issues and Options Paper indicates general support for the vision and that it needs to be concise and not excessively detailed but should be specific to South Staffordshire. It was also suggested that the vision needs to express specific rural renaissance objectives for South Staffordshire as well as fully acknowledge other natural environment issues.

3.9 It was recognised that the vision needs to be more locally distinctive, and taking into account the views expressed through the consultation and the rural renaissance objectives of the Regional Spatial Strategy, a revised vision and guiding or principal aim for the Local Development Framework has been developed. The vision for South Staffordshire has been further developed to express the proposed vision for the specific localities in the District.

Strategic Objectives

3.10 The consultation response indicated general support for the Strategic Objectives and that they need to be specific to South Staffordshire. Taking into account the views expressed through the consultation, a revised set of objectives have been formulated and have been set out in the Preferred Options document under the Sustainable Community Strategy themes.

Key Policy Themes

3.11 The Core Strategy Issues and Options paper was structured around a number of key policy themes and these were:

- Green Belt and Open Countryside
- Sustainable Communities
- Locations for Growth
- Housing
- Local Economy
- Village Centres and Shopping
- Natural Environment
- Transport and Accessibility
- Leisure, Recreation and Culture
- Community Safety and Good Design

3.12 The detailed responses recovered to each of the policy themes are set out in Appendix 6 but some of the key messages arising from the consultation are highlighted below.

Green Belt and Open Countryside

3.13 The consultation response from both residents and stakeholders to the Issues and Options consultation indicated support for the protection of the Green Belt and Open Countryside. The views were also expressed that changes to Green Belt boundaries should only be considered in exceptional circumstances, that land for longer term development needs should be identified and that major developed sites should be redeveloped for appropriate uses.

Chapter 3 . Responses to the consultation and key messages

Sustainable Communities

3.14 The consultation response to the Issues and Options paper acknowledged the importance of achieving sustainable development in South Staffordshire. Comments were that existing facilities and services in villages should be maintained and enhanced and that proposals to support the viability, accessibility and community value of existing facilities and services in villages should be supported. The view was expressed that vulnerable village services such as schools and post offices should be retained and that the use of schools to provide other community uses should also be supported.

Locations for Growth

3.15 The Issues and Options paper set out the following alternative development options:

Option 1 – Focus development in the main villages.

Option 2 – Focus development in the main villages with limited growth in the smaller villages.

Option 3 – Share Development between villages across the District.

3.16 The consultation response from both residents and stakeholders indicated a clear preference for an option of sharing development between villages across the District. In order to move forward towards a preferred option the Council carried out further work to refine the alternative option, and on that basis the following refined options were formulated:

Option 3A – Focus development on a small number of locations with South Staffordshire.

Option 3B – Geographic spread in an even manner throughout the 22 villages in South Staffordshire.

Option 3C – Geographic spread but within the context of a South Staffordshire Hierarchy of settlements that determine the appropriate levels of new housing development within the existing villages of South Staffordshire.

3.17 These further options were considered by the Council and it was concluded that a refined Option 3C for the geographic spread of development based on a settlement hierarchy would be the most appropriate spatial strategy for South Staffordshire. The alternative spatial strategy options and the reasons why these were discarded are set out in the Preferred Spatial Strategy document.

3.18 The consultation response indicated that the general public favour fewer housing developments to safeguard the Green Belt and the character of villages, whilst others felt that there should be more housing developments in the District. The view was expressed that new housing should be distributed around the District. Comments received on the Core Strategy consultation also indicated that affordability of local housing is an important issue and that more affordable homes are needed. The size type, tenure of new housing and provision of housing for special needs and elderly people were also identified as important issues. The views were also expressed that a mix of house types and densities should be encouraged, and lower density targets should be adopted for villages and areas where small scale development in the smaller villages would help meet local needs and sustain local services and facilities.



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Local Economy

3.19 The consultation response recognised that good quality employment sites should be protected and there was support for the refurbishment of existing buildings and the regeneration of underused sites. Comments were received supporting a mix of uses on employment sites and support for the expansion of existing businesses in the rural areas, including tourist attractions and facilities.

Village Centres and Shopping

3.20 The consultation response indicated support for the existing mix of land uses in village centres and that the quality of the environment should be improved. The view was also expressed that the use of existing shops and sole facilities should be promoted and encouraged and that retail development should take place within existing centres.

Natural Environment

3.21 The consultation responses indicated support for the protection of the natural environment and that the impact of new development on landscape character should be minimised. It was also recognised that encouragement should be given to renewable energy, including higher standards of energy efficiency in new developments. The view was also expressed that development in flood risk areas should be restricted.

Historic Environment

3.22 The consultation response indicated support for the protection and enhancement of the historic environment and that encouragement should be given to the restoration and positive use of historic buildings and other heritage assets. It was also suggested that the restoration and reuse of locally important buildings should be encouraged.

Transport and Accessibility

3.23 The consultation responses indicated support for the retention and improvement of existing rural public transport services and that sustainable transport measures should be incorporated in new development. Respondents also indicated that encouragement should be given to the provision of safe pedestrian and cycle links as part of new development.

Leisure, Recreation and Culture

3.24 The consultation response indicated that policies should be defined to protect existing open spaces and green areas and that land should be identified for open space where there is an identified need. The views were also expressed that a range of leisure, recreation and cultural facilities attractive to everyone should be provided.



Chapter 3 . Responses to the consultation and key messages

Community Safety and Good Design

3.25 The consultation response highlighted crime and fear of crime as important issues, and there was support for the promotion of designing out crime initiatives. The consultation response recognised the importance of design and that high quality design in new development should be promoted.



Chapter 4 . Conclusion

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4.1 A comprehensive programme of community and stakeholder engagement has been undertaken by the Council for the Core Strategy Issues and Options consultation. The consultations undertaken achieved and exceeded the requirements set out in the Council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) and the Regulations.

4.2 The responses received to the Issues and Options consultation were helpful and informative and has enabled the Council to progress towards the formulation of a Preferred Spatial Strategy.



Appendix A .
List of Consultees



Appendix A . List of Consultees

Appendix A List of Consultees

Appendix 1 LDF Consultees

Statutory Consultation Bodies – including those required to meet the requirements of the Regulations and Annex E of PPS12

Adjacent Authorities –

- Worcestershire County Council
- Shropshire County Council
- Wolverhampton City Council
- Wyre Forest District Council
- Bromsgrove District Council
- Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council
- Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council
- Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council
- Telford and Wrekin Borough Council
- Bridgenorth District Council

Staffordshire Authorities –

- Stafford Borough Council
- Cannock Chase District Council
- Lichfield District Council
- Tamworth Borough Council
- East Staffs Borough Council
- Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council
- Stoke-on-Trent City Council
- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council

Adjoining Parish Councils

- Advantage West Midlands
- Councillors and MPs
- Department of Work and Pensions
- English Heritage
- English Nature
- Government Office West Midlands
- Highways Agency
- Office of Government Commerce
- South Staffordshire Parish Councils
- Severn Trent Water Ltd
- South Staffordshire Water Plc.
- South Western Staffordshire PCT
- Staffordshire County Council
- Ministry of Defence
- Network Rail
- Telecommunications operators, Mobile Operators Association, BT
- The Countryside Agency
- The Environment Agency
- West Midlands Public Health Group
- West Midlands Regional Assembly
- South Staffordshire Local Strategic Partnership.



Appendix A . List of Consultees

Government bodies to be consulted via the Government Office for the West Midlands - Home Office

- Department for Communities and Local Government
- Department of Constitutional Affairs
- Department for Culture Media and Sport
- Department for Transport
- Department of Education and Skills
- Department for Health
- Department of Trade and Industry
- Department for the Environment Food and Rural Affairs

Other Consultees

The Council will also consult, where appropriate the following. Please note that they are examples only:

Amenity and Community Groups

- Brewood Village Design Statement Group
- CAMRA
- Community Council for Staffordshire
- Friends of the Bratch
- Brewood Civic Society
- Stafford Historical and Civic Society
- Kinver Civic Society
- Pattingham Historic and Civic Society
- Wombourne Civic Society
- Penkridge Civic Society
- Kinver Green Belt Action Group
- South Staffordshire Community and Voluntary Action
- Wolverhampton Airport Action Group

Countryside/Conservation Groups

- British Geological Survey
- British Waterways
- Cannock Chase AONB Groups
- Centre for Ecology and Hydrology
- Campaign to Protect Rural England
- Estates Groups – Pattingham Church, Enville and Stalybridge, Wyrley, Dunston
- Forest of Mercia
- Forestry Commission
- Garden History Society
- Inland Waterways Association
- Lichfield and Hatherton Canal Restoration Trust
- National Farmers Union
- National Trust
- Ramblers Association
- RSPB
- Sow and Penk Industrial Drainage Board
- Staffordshire Gardens and Parks Trust
- Staffordshire Wildlife Trust



Appendix A . List of Consultees

Woodland Trust
Wombourne Conservation Group

Built Environment Groups

Commission for Architecture and the Built Environment
Midlands Architecture and Designed Environment

Minority Groups

Commission for Racial Equality
Equal Opportunities Commission
The Showman's Guild of Great Britain

Disability Groups

Disability Rights Commission

Housing Groups

Accord Housing Association,
Bromford Carinthia Housing Association,
Focus Housing Association,
Heantun Housing Association,
Home Builders Federation
Housing Corporation
Jephson Homes Housing,
Sanctuary Housing Association,
South Staffordshire Housing Association,
Touchstone Housing Association
West Midlands RSL Planning Consortium

Culture and Recreation groups

Arts Council West Midlands
Culture West Midlands
Heart of England Tourist Board
Museums and Libraries & Archives West Midlands
National Playing Fields Association
Sport England
Tourism West Midlands

Local Business/Industry Groups

Airport Operators including Wolverhampton Airport Ltd
Business Link Staffordshire
Chamber of Commerce – Southern Staffordshire, Black Country
Confederation of British Industry
English Partnerships
InStaffs (UK) Ltd
Learning and Skills Council – Staffordshire, Black Country
South Staffordshire Partnership

Transport Groups

Civil Aviation Authority
Freight Transport Association
Local Transport Operators
Rail Companies including Network Rail and the Rail Freight Group



Appendix A . List of Consultees

Road groups and Road Haulage Association

Religious Groups

Church Commissioners

Older Persons Groups

Age Concern South Staffordshire

Energy providers

Coal Authority

Electricity, Gas and the National Grid

Other groups - including anyone who has expressed an interest in being involved in the preparation of documents within the LDF

Crown Estate Office

Diocesan Board of Finance

Fire and Rescue Services

Health and Safety Executive

Staffordshire and Shropshire Strategic Health Authority

Staffordshire Parish Councils Association

Staffordshire Police

West Midlands LGA

West Midlands Planning Aid

Women's National Commission




Appendix B .
Copy of Questionnaire
Representation Booklet
and Response Sheet



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	South Staffordshire Local Development Framework	Response Number: <input type="text"/>
	Core Strategy Issues and Options Paper October 2006	Date Received: Date Acknowledged: FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

South Staffordshire Council welcomes your comments on the Core Strategy Development Plan Document Issues and Options Paper. Please note that any comments you make are not confidential and may be made publicly available.

Please return your comments by Monday 11th December 2006 to:

Development Plans Manager,
South Staffordshire Council, Council Offices, Wolverhampton Road, Codsall, South Staffordshire, WV8 IPX

1. Personal Details		2. Agent Details (if applicable)	
Title	<input type="text"/>	Title	<input type="text"/>
First Name	<input type="text"/>	First Name	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>	Last Name	<input type="text"/>
Job Title (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>	Job Title (where relevant)	<input type="text"/>
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Telephone Number	<input type="text"/>	Telephone Number	<input type="text"/>
Email address	<input type="text"/>	Email address	<input type="text"/>

Spatial Vision	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Have we identified the right spatial vision for South Staffordshire? ▪ If you think there is a better alternative vision, what should it be? 	YES / NO



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Core Strategy Strategic Objectives

	Strongly Agree	Agree	No view	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Green Belt and Open Countryside					
1. To protect South Staffordshire's Green Belt from inappropriate development and enhance its attractiveness and amenity value.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. To protect the character and quality of the countryside and the villages it contains from inappropriate development.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sustainable Communities					
3. To improve the quality of life of the District by maintaining and promoting thriving, balanced, inclusive and sustainable communities with access to community delivered facilities and services.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. To ensure that villages contain an adequate, or where necessary, improved range of facilities and services to meet the needs of local communities, particularly in rural areas, and that access to local services is available to all.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. To improve the quality of life of the District by maintaining and promoting thriving, balanced, inclusive and sustainable communities with access to community delivered facilities and services.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. To ensure that villages contain an adequate, or where necessary, improved range of facilities and services to meet the needs of local communities, particularly in rural areas, and that access to local services is available to all.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. To ensure that new housing proposals make adequate provision for transport, education, healthcare, open space and social and community facilities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Locations for Growth					
8. To meet the overall development requirements for the District, consistent with the Regional Spatial Strategy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Housing					
9. To ensure the delivery of decent homes for all members of the community including the provision of affordable housing to meet local needs and the creation of well designed and safe residential environments.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. To protect the character and quality of existing residential environments and ensure that new development is well designed and respects local distinctiveness.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local Economy					
11. To create a vibrant and sustainable local economy through the provision and maintenance of a portfolio of employment sites, encouraging new employment opportunities, retaining and supporting local businesses, and positive support for sustainable rural diversification.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. To promote South Staffordshire as a tourist destination and the improvement and provision of tourist facilities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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Village Centres and Shopping					
13. To sustain, improve and enhance the vitality and viability of village centres and encourage the provision of retail opportunities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Natural Environment					
14. To protect, conserve and enhance the natural environment of the District and the character and quality of the landscape, safeguarding designated sites and sites supporting protected species and improve and enhance biodiversity through habitat management and the creation of new wildlife habitats.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. To avoid or reduce the effects of climate change through the location and design of new development, reducing the need to travel, avoiding areas at risk of flooding and protect natural resources.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. To promote the efficient use of resources and encourage the development and use of renewable energy resources.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Historic Environment					
17. To protect, conserve and enhance the historic environment of the District, historic buildings, conservation areas and areas of historic, archaeological and landscape importance.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transport and Accessibility					
18. To reduce the need to travel, encourage sustainable forms of transport, and secure improvements to public transport infrastructure and services to meet the needs of local communities and the provision of facilities for walking and cycling.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure, Recreation and Culture					
19. To improve the District's leisure, recreation, and cultural facilities and ensure that each community has access to areas of good quality green space.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Safety and Design					
20. To ensure a high quality sustainable built environment through good design and construction leading to a more prudent use of environmental resources and taking into account the need for improved community safety.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strategic Objectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are the Strategic Objectives the right ones for the District? YES / NO • If not are there other objectives that should be considered? 					



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Key Issue: Green Belt and Open Countryside

	Yes	No
Green Belt		
Resist any form of new development regardless of the circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maintain strict policies in accordance with national and regional policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Consider changes to Green Belt boundaries only in exceptional circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
White Land		
Put existing areas of White Land back into Green Belt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Release existing areas of White Land for development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Identify other areas of White Land for longer-term development needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major Developed Sites in the Green Belt		
Allow the site to be redeveloped for an appropriate Green Belt use	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allow the site to be redeveloped for housing or employment use to meet local needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the reclamation of the site for open space or forestry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:		
1. Should minor changes be allowed to existing Green Belt boundaries?		
2. Should other Major Developed Sites be defined in the Green Belt?		
3. What measures should be taken to improve the attractiveness of the Green Belt?		
4. Are there other Green Belt Issues that need to be considered?		
Comments:		

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Key Issue: Sustainable Communities

	Yes	No
Community Facilities		
Maintain existing facilities and services in villages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support proposals to improve the viability, accessibility or community value of existing facilities and services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Require community facilities to be provided as part of new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health Facilities		
Maintain and enhancing existing health service facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure that sites for future health service provision are in accessible locations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure that health service facilities are provided to meet the needs of the growing population	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Education Provision		
Support the extension of existing education facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support the use of schools to provide other community uses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure that education facilities are provided as part of new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:		
1. Are there other ways in which we can help sustain facilities and services in our villages and make them more accessible?		
2. What should we do with existing sites if facilities and services close?		
Comments:		



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Key Issue: Locations for Growth

		Yes	No
Locations for Development			
Focus development on the main villages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Focus development on the main villages with limited growth in smaller villages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Share development between villages across the District	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:			
1. Should we identify named villages as locations for growth?			
2. Should more development be directed to the smaller villages to secure their future?			
3. Are there villages that should remain as they are and if so which are they?			
4. Should we focus development in other areas of the District i.e. outside the Green Belt?			
Comments:			

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Key Issue: Housing

	Yes	No
Meeting Housing Needs		
Encourage a mix of house types and densities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide more specialist housing for our elderly population and vulnerable groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allow housing in more rural locations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Affordable Housing		
Increase the percentage of affordable housing on sites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allocate land for affordable housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allow small-scale affordable housing schemes on rural exception sites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Housing Density		
Allow higher densities in appropriate locations e.g. village centres	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adopt lower density targets for different villages or areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Define areas of minimum change within villages to protect the character of existing residential areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Associated Questions:

1. What types of housing do you think are needed in the District?
2. Should we reduce the site thresholds for the provision of affordable housing?
3. Should any special provision be made for rural housing and if so in what locations?
4. Should previously developed land outside villages be considered for housing development?
5. Should we be trying to identify potential housing sites now for the period 2011-2021 even though we do not currently know the requirements?

Comments:



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Key Issue: Local Economy

	Yes	No
Supporting the Local Economy		
Allow existing businesses to expand	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Protect existing employment sites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support the refurbishment of existing buildings, the regeneration of underused sites and improvements to the environment of existing employment areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employment Opportunities		
Allow the expansion of existing employment sites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Identify new employment sites to meet local needs including small sites to support starter businesses and local firms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide a mix of employment uses within employment sites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Existing Employment Sites		
Protect all existing employment sites from competing uses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Protect good quality employment sites	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allow poor quality sites to be developed for alternative uses such as housing, leisure and retail development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rural Diversification		
Support existing businesses in the rural areas and allow limited expansion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support existing businesses and allow the development of new small-scale businesses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allow a wide range of rural diversification schemes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Developing Tourism		
Allow existing tourist attractions and facilities to expand	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support the expansion of existing tourist attractions and facilities and allow the development of new tourist attractions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allow the development of new tourist attractions only where suitable public transport exists	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:		
1. Instead of people having to travel outside the South Staffordshire for employment do you think more employment land should be located in the District to meet local needs?		
2. Are there any other types of employment site that should be provided in the District?		
3. Which of the existing employment sites in the District do you think are important and should be protected?		
4. Should we be trying to identify potential employment sites now for the period 2011-2021 even though we do not currently know the requirements?		
5. Are there any other ways in which tourism and tourist related facilities should be improved in the District?		

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Comments:



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Key Issue: Village Centres and Shopping

	Yes	No
Village Centres		
Resist the change of use of existing shops to non-retail uses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retain the existing mix of land uses in village centres and improve the quality of the existing shopping environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Limit the amount of new retail development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local Shops and Sole Facilities		
Resist the change of use or redevelopment of existing sole facilities in villages	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Promote and encourage the use of existing facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the joint use of existing buildings for community uses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retail Development		
Within existing village centres	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Within neighbourhood centres	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On large retail sites outside existing centres	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:		
1. Should we define the boundaries of district and neighbourhood shopping areas?		
2. Are there enough shops in the District, if not what is needed and where?		
Comments:		

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Key Issue: Natural Environment

	Yes	No
Biodiversity and Geodiversity		
Protect designated sites including those of local importance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the management and enhancement of wildlife habitats and the creation of new habitats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Minimise the impact of new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Landscape Character		
Identify landscapes that warrant special protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Identify areas where landscape restoration is a priority	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Minimise the impact of new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Climate Change and Renewable Energy		
Reduce the need for people to travel and ensuring that there are alternatives to the car	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage higher standards of energy efficiency in developments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the development of renewable energy schemes including community based projects	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Flood Risk		
Restrict development in flood risk areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Require all new development to have sustainable drainage systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Protect existing watercourses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:		
1. Are there particular areas of the District that should be identified for special protection?		
2. Should we identify areas of the District for landscape improvement such as those defined in the existing adopted Local Plan?		
3. Are there other ways in which the Local Development Framework can contribute to the protection and enhancement of the natural environment?		
Comments:		



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Key Issue: Historic Environment

	Yes	No
Historic Environment		
Establish a comprehensive record of the Historic Environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the restoration and positive use of historic buildings and other heritage assets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Promote the conservation and enhancement of historic landscapes, parklands and gardens	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Local Historic Environment		
Protect locally important buildings and structures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the restoration and reuse of locally important buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the enhancement of the local historic environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:		
1. In certain cases we allow limited development that would benefit the retention and restoration of the historic environment. Do you agree with this approach?		
2. Should we encourage enabling development to support the restoration of the historic environment?		
3. Should we define historic landscape areas in the Local Development Framework?		
Comments:		

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Key Issue: Transport and Accessibility

	Yes	No
Rural Transport		
Ensure that existing rural public transport services are retained and improved	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the provision of new public transport services and alternative transport options	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support initiatives to improve sustainable transport links between villages and other parts of the District	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reducing the need to Travel		
Locate jobs and houses together where possible	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure villages have a good range of facilities and services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure that sustainable transport measures are incorporated in new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walking and Cycling		
Improve existing pedestrian and cycling routes and providing new ones	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the provision of safe and direct pedestrian and cycle links as part of new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the provision of cycle parking facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:		
1. What improvements are needed to public transport in the District?		
2. What improvements are needed to local provision for walking and cycling?		
3. Are there any road, rail or other transport projects that need to be identified and promoted in the Local Development Framework?		
Comments:		



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Key Issue: Leisure, Recreation and Culture

	Yes	No
Open Space and Green Areas		
Allocate land for open space in areas where there is an identified need	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide areas of open space that are safe and more easily accessible to where people live	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure that areas of open space are provided in new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Existing Open Space		
Define policies to protect existing open spaces and green areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure that existing open spaces and green areas are managed and improved	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improve the biodiversity value of existing open spaces	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure, Recreation and Cultural Facilities		
Provide new leisure and recreation facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide a range of facilities attractive to everyone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ensure that new leisure and recreation facilities are provided as part of new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:		
1. Are there any open spaces where priority should be given to enhancement through planting, habitat creation and management?		
2. What additional leisure, recreational and cultural facilities are needed and where?		
3. Should we encourage the provision of public art in new development?		
4. Should we give greater commitment to improving our canal network?		
Comments:		

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Key Issue: Community Safety and Good Design

	Yes	No
Safer Communities		
Promote designing out crime initiatives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improve the environment in urban and rural areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage the provision of community and social facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Good Design		
Prepare design codes and design briefs for new developments and encourage the production of village design statements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Require new development to meet key design standards and principles and the principles of sustainable construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implement environmental improvement schemes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associated Questions:		
1. Are there other ways in which the Local Development Framework can contribute to making South Staffordshire safer?		
2. What other measures can be taken to secure good design?		
Comments:		



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The following space is provided for you to raise any other matters concerning the Core Strategy Issues and Options Paper. If your comments relate to a specific page, section, or paragraph, please state the necessary details if relevant.

If you require additional space, please copy this page and securely attach it to the Response Form.

Additional Comments:		
Page number:	Section number:	Paragraph number:
Comments:		



Appendix C .
Copy of Core Strategy
Issues and Options
Explanatory Leaflet



LDF: Core Strategy . . . Issues and Options

Key Issues

The Core Strategy contains a set of key issues, which we think are important for South Staffordshire. They are explained in greater detail in the Issues and Options Paper, but they are summarised here to give you an idea of the challenges we face. To help achieve these aims, we will develop a set of Core Policies that we believe will give us the best chance to bring forward what is best for the District. It is very important that we get this right. Please tell us if you think that the issues we have highlighted are the right ones? Are there any issues you feel we have missed? Let us have your views so that the policies we put into the Core Strategy will be built on firm foundations.

Who Is Involved?

We want to reach everyone we think will have a view on what is important for the future of South Staffordshire.

This will include your Parish Council, local businesses, partners, and schools, employers and of course our residents.

If you wish to present the Core Strategy Issues and Options, or would like to be added to our database so that we can keep you up-to-date with progress on the LDF, then please contact the Development Plan team on 01902 556421/117 or email: development@stcc.gov.uk

Green Belt and Open Countryside
The Green Belt is a key part of our landscape and provides a vital link between the town and the countryside. It is important to protect the Green Belt and to ensure that any development is in keeping with the character of the area.

Housing
We need to ensure that we have enough housing to meet the needs of our growing population. We will focus on providing a mix of housing types and tenures to meet the needs of different groups in the community.

Economic Competitiveness
We need to ensure that our economy is competitive and growing. We will focus on supporting our existing businesses and attracting new investment to the area.

Leisure and Culture
We need to ensure that we have enough leisure and cultural facilities to meet the needs of our growing population. We will focus on providing a mix of leisure and cultural facilities to meet the needs of different groups in the community.

Natural Environment
We need to ensure that we protect and enhance our natural environment. We will focus on protecting our green spaces, trees and watercourses, and on improving our air quality.

Community Safety and Design
We need to ensure that our communities are safe and well-designed. We will focus on improving our streets, public spaces and buildings, and on reducing crime and anti-social behaviour.

Health and Wellbeing
We need to ensure that we have enough health and wellbeing facilities to meet the needs of our growing population. We will focus on providing a mix of health and wellbeing facilities to meet the needs of different groups in the community.

Local Economy
We need to ensure that our local economy is vibrant and growing. We will focus on supporting our existing businesses and attracting new investment to the area.

Leisure and Culture
We need to ensure that we have enough leisure and cultural facilities to meet the needs of our growing population. We will focus on providing a mix of leisure and cultural facilities to meet the needs of different groups in the community.

Community Safety and Design
We need to ensure that our communities are safe and well-designed. We will focus on improving our streets, public spaces and buildings, and on reducing crime and anti-social behaviour.

Health and Wellbeing
We need to ensure that we have enough health and wellbeing facilities to meet the needs of our growing population. We will focus on providing a mix of health and wellbeing facilities to meet the needs of different groups in the community.

Transport and Accessibility
We need to ensure that we have enough transport and accessibility facilities to meet the needs of our growing population. We will focus on improving our roads, public transport and walking and cycling routes.

Have your say on the future of South Staffordshire



Appendix D .
Copy of South
Staffordshire Review
Pull-Out



Appendix D Copy of South Staffordshire Review Pull-Out

SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE

FRAMEWORK FOR THE FUTURE

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Core Strategy

Summary of Issues & Options

Local Development Framework

A New System

The planning system is changing. Under the new system, the South Staffordshire Local Development Framework (LDF) will replace the Local Plan. The LDF is a collection of documents setting out the Council's policies for development and land use up to 2021.

**The Framework-
What are we doing now?**

The LDF will contain many separate documents. Those which the Council is currently preparing are shown below.

This Summary aims to explain what we are proposing in the Core Strategy and how you can be involved!

What is the Core Strategy?

This is a key document in the LDF which will set out our long term vision and aims for South Staffordshire.

It will not identify specific sites for development – that will come later in other Development Plan Documents – but it will identify broad locations where housing development could take place. It will look at how best to use the land we have available to create quality places and strong communities, that people will enjoy living and working in, and be attractive to visitors too.

The Core Strategy will steer development to the right place at the right time and will help the District to grow and prosper in a managed way, so that we can meet our needs and the needs of future generations.

What You Can Do?

You can help us to focus on what is important for South Staffordshire by telling us what you think about our approach.

Overleaf you will see a set of key issues for South Staffordshire. Have we got it right? Are we moving in the right direction? Is there an important issue we have missed? Your response will help us to determine what will make South Staffordshire a better place for all.

This is just a summary of what is contained in the Core Strategy Issues and Options paper. If you would like more detailed information on this or any other document in the Local Development Framework, please contact a member of the Development Plans team.

"Creating a Sustainable Future for South Staffordshire"

- PULL OUT AND KEEP -



Local Development Framework: The Core Strategy

Community Strategy

One of the changes in the new system is that we need to move away from traditional land use planning to a new 'holistic' approach – basically looking at not only how the LDF will affect land, but how other strategies and plans will play their part too.

One of the most important strategies is the Community Strategy – prepared by a group known as the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) which is made up of a number of public, private and voluntary bodies, such as local businesses, health authorities, police etc all of whom have an interest in South Staffordshire. There will be strong links between the LDF and the Community Strategy as they share common aims and objectives. Other strategies, such as the Crime Reduction Partnership, Community Safety Strategy, Local Transport Plan and Housing Strategy, will play their part too. Working in partnership we hope that South Staffordshire will grow and develop for the benefit of all.

For more information on the LSP telephone 01902 696228.



"We will strive to make South Staffordshire a safe and healthy place to live, with prosperous villages and thriving communities, where everyone can develop their abilities to the full, and pass on to future generations a better environment."

Shared vision - South Staffordshire Community Strategy, Corporate Strategy and LDF.



Sustainable Communities

What does sustainable mean? It's a simple idea of planning for a better quality of life for everyone, both now and for future generations.

We need to get the balance right in protecting both the natural and built environment, but also look to our future needs. For example, the location and type of new housing and employment development, transport issues, design, and access to a good range of services and facilities will be guided by the Core Strategy and will ensure we promote sustainable communities.

"Together we need to make sure that we plan for the successful future of South Staffordshire"

What Happens Next?

This is the first stage in the consultation process on the Core Strategy. We will be holding a number of exhibitions across the District and staff will be available to explain the Core Strategy Issues and Options in more detail. After the six-week consultation period has ended we will look at all the information sent to us and prepare a Preferred Options document, which will take into account the comments we have received. There will then be a further consultation period, following which a final document will be prepared and submitted to the Secretary of State. An Independent Inspector will be appointed to examine the Core Strategy and objectors will have the chance to make representations to the Inspector.

For exhibition times, dates and locations see www.staffs.gov.uk or parish council offices and libraries throughout the District, or telephone 01902 696426/696317.



Your Views Count!

The Core Strategy Issues and Options paper has now been published for consultation. Please let us have your views in writing by completing a response form, or by letter or email to:

Development Plans Manager
South Staffordshire Council
Council Offices
Codsall
South Staffordshire
WV8 1PX
Email: developmentplans@staffs.gov.uk
Fax: 01902 696402

Copies of the full Core Strategy Issues and Options document, or a response form are available on our website at www.staffs.gov.uk

Copies are also available at libraries across the District and from your local Parish Council.

If you require any further information or would like to speak to a member of the Development Plans Team, please telephone 01902 696426/423-317.

* Please note that any comments you make are not confidential and may be made publicly available.

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Appendix E .
Legal Notice, Press
Articles, and Press
Notice



Appendix E Legal Notice, Press Articles, and Press Notice

SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004

SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

CORE STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT ISSUES AND OPTIONS PAPER

Statement of Pre-Submission Consultation

Regulation 25 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004

South Staffordshire Council has prepared a Core Strategy Issues and Options Paper as part of the Local Development Framework (LDF) for South Staffordshire under the provisions of the above Act. The Issues and Options Paper sets out the key issues and policy options for the future of South Staffordshire District and includes a draft vision and set of strategic objectives.

Copies of the Issues and Options Paper are available for public inspection free of charge at:

- South Staffordshire Solutions, ground floor of the Council Offices, Wolverhampton Road, Codsall on Mondays – Fridays 8.45am to 5.00pm (late night Tuesdays until 8.00pm), 9.30am – 1.00pm on Saturdays

And at the following locations during normal opening hours:

- Staffordshire County Council, Development Services Department, Riverway, Stafford
- Public Libraries at Brewood (Newport Street), Cheslyn Hay (High Street), Codsall (Council Offices), Great Wyrley (St John's Lane), Kinver (Vicarage Drive), Penkridge (Bellbrook), Perton (Severn Drive), Wombourne (Community Centre, Church Road) and Staffordshire County Mobile and Trailer Libraries operating in the District
- Parish Council Offices in the District

The document can also be viewed on the South Staffordshire Council website www.sstaffs.gov.uk where further information is available.

Representations made on the Core Strategy Issues and Options Paper should be sent in writing using the form available to the Development Plans Manager, South Staffordshire Council, Council Offices, Wolverhampton Road, Codsall, WV8 1PX, or by fax on 01902 696403 or by email to developmentplans@sstaffs.gov.uk by **5.00pm on Monday 11th December 2006.**



Appendix E . Legal Notice, Press Articles, and Press Notice

Representations in respect of the Issues and Options Paper should specify the matters to which they relate, and the grounds on which they are made. Details of any changes sought should be included where appropriate, and may be accompanied by a request to be notified at a specified address that the Development Plan Document has been submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination, the publication of the Inspector's recommendations following a Public Examination, or the adoption of the DPD. The Council will consider all the representations received prior to the preparation of a Preferred Options document for public consultation.



SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE COUNCIL
PLANNING AND COMPULSORY PURCHASE ACT 2004
SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK
CORE STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT ISSUES
AND OPTIONS PAPER
Proposal Matters – Regulation 24 and 25 of the Town and
Country Planning (Local Development) (England)
Regulations 2004

a) Title of Document:

Core Strategy Development Plan Document Issues and Options Paper

b) Subject Matter:

The Core Strategy Issues and Options Paper sets out the key issues and policy options for the future of South Staffordshire District and includes a draft vision and set of strategic objectives.

c) Period within which representations may be made:

Monday 30th October 2006 until 5.00pm on Monday 11th December 2006

d) Address for representations:

All representations should be sent to:

Development Plans Manager
South Staffordshire Council
Council Offices
Wolverhampton Road
Codsall
South Staffordshire
WV8 1PX
Tel: 01902 696423/696317
Fax: 01902 696403
Email: developmentplans@sstaffs.gov.uk
Website: www.sstaffs.gov.uk

e) Notification of Examination and Adoption

Please indicate in your response if you wish to be notified of any of the following:

- i. that the Development Plan Document (DPD) has been submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination,
- ii. the publication of the Inspectors recommendations following a public Examination;
- iii. that the DPD has been adopted.



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Any such notification will be sent to the address on your representation unless you indicate otherwise.



Appendix F .
Schedule of
Consultation Responses
- Available as a
separate document



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The Schedule of responses is available as a separate document.



